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THE Company's Steamship
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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND POOCHOW
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For Further Particulars regarding Freight
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Hoengkong, March 12th, 1888.

Pallidus mors agno pulvis pede pauperum

tarnas, regumque turres. None can escape the

common lot, the highest any more than the

meanest, and His Imperial Majesty WILLIAM

I, Emperor of Germany, personally the most

distinguished monarch of his time, has joined

the majority. Early on the morning of the

9th instant this father of his people

passed peacefully away full of years and

honours. Born on the 22nd March, 1797,

in a period full of troubles and dangerous

agitations, Prince WILLIAM of Prussia com-

menced his career as a soldier, received his

"baptism of fire" in the Franco-Prussian war

in 1871, when he was only sixteen years of

age, and took part in several campaigns,

eventually becoming Commander-in-Chief of

the Prussian Army. On the death of his

brother King FREDERICK WILLIAM IV. in

1881, the Prince became King WILLIAM I.

of Prussia, and in the following year he ap-

pointed Count BISMARCK Prime Minister.

Thus followed ten years of most momentous

history to Europe, and still more momentous

to Germany, for in that decade Germa-

ny achieved, the German Empire

restored, and German influence made domi-

nant in the councils of Europe. Seldom in

the history of any nation has such a trinity

of great men arisen as the late Emperor, his

astute Chancellor, and his far-seeing military

tactician, von MOLTKE. The hour in Ger-

many may indeed produce the men. No

wonder that in the eyes of the German

nation the Emperor WILLIAM should symbo-

lize its unity; no wonder that to so com-

manding a personality, around which cluster-

ed such traditions and such associations,

should go forth a passionate veneration.

Autocratic in his instincts—it will be re-

membered he played the crown on his own

head at his coronation—the Emperor WILLIAM

never sought to curtail the liberties of his

people, and always gave his ready sanc-

tion to any scheme for the promotion of the

national trade or well-being. While essen-

tially a military man, sprung from a martial

stock, and ever ready to take danger boldly,

he naturally in the closing years of his event-

ful reign earnestly laboured to avoid war

and secure the maintenance of the peace so

much needed by a country so often exhaust-

ed by foreign conflicts. Happily for him,

his last hours were undisturbed by the

clash of arms, though the Continent has

thanks to mutual jealousies among the

great Powers, become one vast camp.

The death of the Emperor WILLIAM,

though somewhat sudden, was not wholly un-

expected. He had arrived at a great age, 91

years, and it was known that he had become

very feeble, was easily fatigued, and had re-

cently given signs of breaking up. In his

boyhood, the late Emperor betrayed sym-

ptoms of a very delicate constitution, had a

slender physique, and gave his parents much

anxiety on account of his precarious

health. No one would in those days

have predicted that he would live to see

the nineteenth century wearing so

nearly to its close. Let us hope the new

Emperor may equally disappoint the pessimists,

and live to reign long and gloriously. The

accounts of his condition have not been

reassuring of late, but had it been as hope-

less as was indicated recently by Reuters he

could scarcely have journeyed from San

Remo to Berlin as announced. The official

telegram received yesterday from Ber-

lin would seem to indicate that the Crown

Prince has succeeded to the Imperial dignity

as FREDERICK IV. and not as FREDERICK

WILLIAM I. The new Emperor will, if

spread, do his utmost to preserve peace and

promote the prosperity of his subjects. It

is to be hoped that in his reign some basis of

agreement may be arrived at between the

Continental nations to permit of the removal

of the intolerable burden imposed upon them

of maintaining the present condition of

armed preparedness for war. The bereaved

family of the late Emperor will receive the

warmest sympathy not only of their relations

in the English Royal family, but also of the

English people, who have always been con-

sistent admirers of the sturdy and dignified

veteran who did so much to make his coun-

try prosperous at home and respected

abroad. The ties between the two countries

have always been close, and they will cer-

tainly not grow weaker now that Queen

VICTORIA's daughter has become Empress of

Germany.

It is notified in the Gazette that from to-day

the duties of the Imports and Exports Office will

be conducted at the Harbour Office.

The Agents (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.)

inform us that the steamer "Strathclyde," from

London, left Singapore on Saturday morning for

this port on the 11th inst.

The Steamer "Strathclyde" was \$20,000

as against \$18,000 in the same month last year.

The amount given under the heading of con-

veyance or assignment accounts for \$5,821 of the

income.

In our review of the new work by M. Eug-

Sisson, entitled "China; its Social, Political,

and Religious Life," Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Limited, as

the publishers in the Far East.

Several of the oldest members of the Police

Force completed fifteen years of service on Sat-

urday last, and in all cases were sworn in for a

further term of five years. The Officers sworn in

were—Messrs. Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Limited, as

the publishers in the Far East.

His Excellency Herr von Brandt, German

Minister at Peking, has been decorated by his

Government with the Star of the second class of

the Red Eagle Order with Oak Leaves. Herr

von Holleben, German Minister at Tokyo, has

been decorated with the decoration of third class

of the Order of the Red Eagle, with clasp.

During the fourth quarter of 1887 there were

in the British and Foreign Community 60 births

and 77 deaths, and amongst the Chinese 453

births and 1,520 deaths. The annual birth

rate per thousand for the quarter was, for the

British and Foreign Community, 23.13; for the

Chinese, 23.13; for the Chinese, the birth

rate was 10.39 and the death rate 35.34.

There seems to have been a Chinese riot in

Johore. The Johore correspondent of the Straits

Times, writing under date of the 2nd March,

says:—There has been a riot at Batu Pahat,

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